

Data Sheet

USAID Mission:	Kosovo
Program Title:	Cross-Cutting Programs
Pillar:	Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade
Strategic Objective:	167-0420
Status:	Continuing
Planned FY 2005 Obligation:	\$3,011,000 AEEB
Prior Year Unobligated:	\$1,227,000 AEEB
Proposed FY 2006 Obligation:	\$3,307,000 AEEB
Year of Initial Obligation:	1999
Estimated Year of Final Obligation:	2008

Summary: Activities funded under this objective are cross-cutting in nature and will support the achievement of all strategic objectives. There are two major components in this objective, training and education programs, and administrative/technical support. Training and education programs are cross-cutting activities implemented to address the shortfall in human capacity that hinders Kosovo's ability to develop mature economic and democratic institutions. The problems stemming from an inadequate education base are a recurrent issue throughout all activities. A three-pronged approach to address the human development aspect of capacity will focus on leadership training, long-term degree training, and short-term technical training and study. In addition, funds under this cross-cutting objective provide program support and technical expertise which enable the Mission to develop, monitor, and evaluate program implementation.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2005 Program: Strengthen Civil Society (\$450,000 AEEB, \$250,000 AEEB carryover). During FY 2005 the second class of emerging leaders training will be completed. Program focus will be expanded to include strengthening the role of the associate trainers who are Kosovo residents, with the objective that they become master trainers at the end of their apprentice period. It is anticipated that by the end of the fellowship program, 110 individuals will have been trained in combining practical education and contemporary theories and practices of management and leadership. A new regional program focused on youth understanding and interaction in the Balkans started this year. This program will build on the energy of youth for constructive engagement in community affairs. This approach envisions provision of capacity building support tailored to the specific needs of youth in the region. Grantee: National Albanian American Council (prime).

Improve Quality of Workforce (\$1,200,000 AEEB). USAID will continue to provide a responsive and flexible mechanism for targeted short-term training and study opportunities that complement all strategic objectives. Emphasis in the second year of this program will be expanded to include monitoring returned participants to ensure that they utilize training received. The training plan for FY 2005 consists of 32 training events across the portfolio. Contractor: World Learning (prime).

Improve Community-Based Reconciliation Efforts (\$200,000 AEEB, \$287,000 AEEB prior year recoveries). USAID intends to explore options for funding multi-lingual, multi-cultural television programming in Kosovo by Sesame Workshop, the producer of the Sesame Street program for pre-schoolers. USAID anticipates funding the production of a series of television programs that will contribute to its long-term conflict mitigation objectives by portraying children of all ethnicities in Kosovo in a positive way.

Program Support (\$1,161,000 AEEB, \$690,000 AEEB carryover). In addition to supporting the operations and personnel costs of the program personnel who manage USAID's ongoing activities, FY 2005 funds will support efforts to fully implement the Mission's five-year strategic plan, including studies and surveys, project management training, action plans for cross-cutting issues, and a new performance management plan.

FY 2006 Program: Improve Quality of Workforce (\$1,500,000 AEED). USAID will continue to support human and institutional capacity development activities that will promote greater sustainability and effectiveness of all USAID assistance by implementing training and other technical assistance. A small grant component may be added to this activity. Contractor: World Learning (prime).

Cross-Cutting Issues Support (\$607,000 AEED). In addition to human capacity building, four cross-cutting issues (corruption, youth, gender, and conflict and reconciliation) were identified in the Mission's new strategic plan as being priority areas for Kosovo's economic and democratic development. Funds will be used to support focused initiatives that target one or more of these issues and complement the work undertaken by the four core strategic objectives. Contractors/Grantees: TBD.

Program Support: (\$1,200,000 AEED). Funds will continue to be used for program support.

Performance and Results: Fellows selected from the In-Country Executive Leadership Program attended the Washington Leadership Program. To date nine training events have been completed; one was in-country training, five were third-country training, and three were US-based training. At the end of FY 2004, USAID started supporting two new cross-cutting initiatives with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). The UNICEF-led Women's and Girls Literacy activity aims to increase literacy rate of girls and of women in rural areas. As result of this effort approximately 750 women will complete all three "Levels of Literacy" classes, increasing the total number of participants to 3,050. The program is a partnership with 10 local women, and youth and minority non-governmental organizations and will take place in 50 different literacy centers. The new UNDP Early Warning System (EWS) Phase III activity is bringing in new components to EWS that include Kosovo's Provisional Institutions of Self-Government, municipal government officials, and civil society, and represents a continuation of USAID support focused at conflict prevention especially in light of the recent developments in Kosovo.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Kosovo

167-0420 Cross-Cutting Programs	AEED
Through September 30, 2003	
Obligations	5,813
Expenditures	5,059
Unliquidated	754
Fiscal Year 2004	
Obligations	4,406
Expenditures	2,821

Through September 30, 2004	
Obligations	10,219
Expenditures	7,880
Unliquidated	2,339
Prior Year Unobligated Funds	
Obligations	1,227
Planned Fiscal Year 2005 NOA	
Obligations	3,011
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2005	
Obligations	4,238
Proposed Fiscal Year 2006 NOA	
Obligations	3,307
Future Obligations	0
Est. Total Cost	17,764